Radio Sharinhearts Sept. 21 Satan's Tools

I John 2:15-16: Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

The 5 senses, taste, touch, smell, hearing, and seeing, all report to the natural (carnal) mind, which is the enemy of God. These are doors where the enemy has the only access to our inner being and the road he takes to pull us off course. (Give example: with senses)

The lust of the flesh includes tasting, touching, smelling and hearing. The lust of the eyes is seeing. The pride of life is thinking; Our flesh says you are special because of who you are, what you have, what you know, or what you look like. Scripture shows how these three methods of temptations were the tools he used in the Garden of Eden and with Christ on the Mount of Temptation.

James 1:14-15: Each person is tempted when he is lured or enticed by his own desire Stage One

Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin

Stage Two

And sin, when it is full grown, brings forth death

Stage Three

<u>Genesis 3:6:</u> So when the woman saw that the tree was **good for food**, and that it **was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desired to make one wise**, she took of its fruit, and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate.

Let's don't allow our mind to rationalize that God is a real kill joy as **food is necessary for life**, some of the most relaxing, **awesome sites on planet earth are designed by God to enjoy with the eyes** and He definitely tells us about **the value of Godly wisdom**; so what is this LUST FACTOR that gets us in to so much "hot water"? What is the basic nature of temptation?????

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Lust of the flesh: To have as a priority the <u>desire to feel physical pleasure from some activity, to be</u> satisfied with having pleasure to the body. What do we do in excess? What do we take that is meant to be good and turn it into selfish satisfaction? "Good for food" something that is profitable and will help me physically. Never mind the long term effects because it will satisfy a present and immediate need and what is wrong with that?

Lust of the eyes: A yearning or a strong desire to have something that rightfully belongs to someone else. Desiring someone else property, spouse, material possessions, status, appearance. It was a delight to the eyes, which means is was pleasurable, it titillated her senses and was a <u>pleasurable experience</u>. We love the feeling of splurging, of doing something that gives me pleasure. It feels great; even though my mind may be telling me that it may be ultimately harmful.